(b) the per capita per day milk consumption level set by the World Health Organisation; and

(c) the steps being taken to achieve the W.H.O. consumption level in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) As per 50th round of National Sample Survey (1993-94), per capita/ day consumption of milk works out about 134 gm. in rural areas and 149 gm. in urban areas as against the recommended dietary intake of 220 gm. of milk per capita per day.

(b) and (c) No norms have been set by the WHO. The norms recommended by the concerned country are acceptable to the WHO. In order to increase the production of milk and thereby to achieve the recommended consumption level, various Central Sector/ Centrally Sponsored Scheme are being implemented.

Scheme for cattle Insurance Cover

26. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finalised a scheme for providing comprehensive cattle insurance cover, particularly in rural areas;

(b) if so, broad outlines of the scheme; and

(c) by when this scheme is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) and (c) A cattle insurance scheme is already being implemented by the General Insurance Corporation of India. However, to improve its coverage and scope a Task Force has been constituted by Government of India.

(b) The scheme covers death of animals/ cattle by accidents, diseases, fire, flood, strike and riot. The cattle includes milch cows and buffaloes, stud-bulls, bullocks, calves and heifers of specified age group.

गुजरात में लम्बित पड़ी डेयरी योजनाएं

27. **श्री चीमनभाई हरीभाई शुक्ला:** क्या पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या गुजरात दुग्ध योजना और राष्ट्रीय डेयरी निगम की अनेक योजनाएं भूमि की अनुपलब्धता के कारण लम्बित पड़ी हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और ये योजनाएं कब से लम्बित पड़ी हैं;

(ग) सरकार द्वारा इस संबंध में क्या कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं;

(घ) क्या सरकार का अहमदाबाद में वृहद् राष्ट्रीय डेयरी स्थापित करने का कोई प्रस्ताव है; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में अंतिम निर्णय कब तक लिया जाएगा?

पशुपालन और डेयरी विभाग के राज्य मंत्री (डॉ रघुवंश प्रसाद सिंह): (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) उक्त (क) के उत्तर को देखते हुए प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(घ) और (ङ) अहमदाबाद के निकट गांधीनगर में हाल ही में प्रतिदिन 10 लाख लीटर की क्षमता की अत्याधुनिक प्रौद्योगिकी वाली एक मेगा डेयरी की स्थापना की गई है।

Increase in the prices of life saving drugs

28. SHRIMATI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of life saving drugs manufactured in the country are very highly priced;

(b) whether Government have examined the World Health Organisation's suggestions made in 1985 and the Hathi Committee to provide life saving drugs at a cheaper rate;

(c) whether such drugs are decontrolled under the Modified Drug Prices (Control) Order, 1987;

(d) whether the prices of life saving drugs in respect of TB patients have gone up by 200% of the base price level of 1987; and